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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

In response to the Office Action mailed December 11, 1996 in the above-captioned application, Applicants amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

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2. (Amended) A method of communicating and controlling [the reception or presentation of] receiving and presenting programming in a network, said network comprising a programming origination station, an intermediate transmission station, and [one or more] at least one subscriber station [stations], wherein said intermediate transmission station [receiving] receives said programming and a plurality of control signals from said programming origination station and transmitting said programming and said plurality of control signals to